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Emerald Ash Borer Response Project

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MDA EAB Quarantine Summary

On December 5, 2006, the Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA) revised the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Quarantine as part of our efforts to better contain this exotic pest in Michigan's Lower Peninsula. The area under quarantine now focuses on prohibiting movement of regulated material from 21 counties of Southeast Michigan (Quarantine Level I), as well as prohibiting regulated material from moving out of the remaining 47 counties of the Lower Peninsula (Quarantine Level II).

Provisions of the EAB Quarantine can be summarized as follows:

Quarantine Level I – Twenty-one counties of Southeast Michigan including Branch, Calhoun, Clinton, Eaton, Genessee, Gratiot, Hillsdale, Ingham, Jackson, Lapeer, Lenawee, Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland, Saginaw, Saint Clair, Sanilac, Shiawassee, Washtenaw, and Wayne.

Quarantine Level II – The remaining 47 counties of Michigan's Lower Peninsula not described in Quarantine Level I.

Regulated Articles – All hardwood firewood (not just ash), ash logs with bark, ash lumber with bark, hardwood wood chips greater than one-inch, ash limbs, ash branches, and ash stumps.

Movement – Movement of regulated articles is prohibited from leaving Quarantine Level I, unless under a valid MDA Compliance Agreement. In addition, movement of regulated articles is prohibited from leaving Quarantine Level II, unless under a valid MDA Compliance Agreement, or if articles are moving into Quarantine Level I.

Compliance Agreement Treatments – Compliance Agreements are typically utilized by the forest products industry who can meet approved treatment methods which currently include removing 100% of bark and an additional ½" of wood for logs, and kiln drying, fumigation or heat treating ash lumber or firewood according to an approved treatment schedule.

Nursery Stock Moratorium – The sale and/or movement of ash nursery stock is now prohibited from moving into, within or out of the entire State of Michigan.

Enclosed you will find a copy of the EAB Quarantine and a map of the quarantined areas. Additional information is also available at www.michigan.gov/eab. We ask that you continue to report any suspect EAB sites in Michigan's Upper Peninsula to the local MDA office, to the local MSU Extension office, or to the EAB Tollfree number at 1-866-325-0023.